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Warm regards

FROM RICK W. MERRILL

On

in their child's birthday, parents often reminisce about the time that has passed, remembering the infant and toddler years. All the while observing the many ways their child has grown and changed. We have found ourselves doing the same as we celebrate our centennial birthday this year. Firmly tied to the Promise we made in our early years, we've never stopped dreaming about what our future holds, and how we can provide promising futures to the growing communities we serve.

As we reflect on all that we've accomplished over the last one hundred years, it simply would not be possible without longstanding partners like Jewel Charity, Catherine and Bob Alexander and others who've stood by our side throughout the years; working with us to make our community the healthiest place to raise a child. We're grateful for them and our employees, many of whom, like Susie Schulwitz, have enjoyed long tenured careers here. Each make our family stronger and our organization truly special.

As our patients became parents, they turned to Cook Children's to care for their own children. The story of the Dunn family and their journey through our NICU illustrates some of the medical advances that have taken place underneath our blue peaks. Their story, and those of countless others, would not have been possible without the support and generosity of this community.

We are humbled by the many personal stories you've shared with us in commemoration of our birthday. It's been our honor to have cared for your families for the past one hundred years. As we look forward to our next birthday, our wish is that you continue to be a part of our story, and Cook Children's a part of yours.

Thank you for a century of support.

With gratitude,

Rick W. Merrill
President and CEO
Cook Children's Health Care System



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Growing for the children of our community



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Caregiving in action

THE DAY AFTER HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION, 17-YEAR-OLD **Susie Schulwitz** MOVED FROM ROCHESTER, NEW YORK, TO FORT WORTH, TEXAS, WITH HER PARENTS. DETERMINED TO SETTLE DOWN IN HER NEW CITY, SUSIE ENROLLED IN A NURSING PROGRAM, BECAME A LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSE AND WAS OFFERED A POSITION AT FORT WORTH CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL. SUSIE HAD A PASSION FOR PEDIATRICS FROM THE BEGINNING, SO SHE HAPPILY ACCEPTED. FIFTY YEARS LATER, THE ENTITY NOW KNOWN AS COOK CHILDREN’S IS STILL HER HOME.



When Susie’s parents passed away, she found comfort in her new work relationships and her coworkers soon became her family. As any good family does, they began to nurture her and encourage her to grow. Supervisors and colleagues urged Susie to take the next step in her education and career. She went on to earn bachelor’s and master’s degrees in nursing, and all while still working full time. She became an advanced nurse practitioner and then a clinical nurse specialist.

Over the years, she has worked on many different floors at Cook Children’s Medical Center, in different clinics and

departments. She has been a floor nurse, night supervisor and nurse manager, among many other leadership roles.

But her career growth wasn’t over just yet. After the last of Susie’s degrees and certifications were hung on her wall, she set her eyes, and her heart, on learning a new trade: magic.

Back in 1975, Susie purchased her first magic kit in an airport mall during a layover on her way home from a medical conference. She practiced the basic tricks included in the kit and the next day she performed for her first audience – a patient. She watched as the face of an ordinarily fussy

“People ask me how I can work in one place for so long ... Well, the answer is simple. At Cook Children’s, we are always looking for ways to improve the health and safety of all our children ... always asking what new pages can we turn, what unknown boxes can we open, or what seemingly impossible doors can we unlock ... always searching, but never losing that sense of wonder that is ours ... because at Cook Children’s, we believe in magic.”

To hear Susie tell more stories about her 50 years at Cook Children’s, visit cook100years.org.

young boy lit up at her sleight of hand. Susie began using magic in her day-to-day nursing, getting patients to take deep breaths to make the magic work, and also to work out their post-surgery lungs. She used magic as a distraction and as a therapeutic tool to keep her patients calm. Most importantly, she used it to keep the magic of childhood alive in our patients, because childhood shouldn’t stop just because you’re sick and away from home.

Magic soon became a passion for Susie, and she shared that with the patients at Cook Children’s. With the help of other local magicians, Susie organized the Young Magicians Club at Cook Children’s. The group meets monthly to learn new tricks and then performs every other month for the patients. Each young performer is an official Cook Children’s junior volunteer, earning volunteer hours for every show.

Over the years, as Cook Children’s has grown, Susie has grown with us and is now our most tenured employee, and one of our greatest treasures.

Today, she works as an educational coordinator, planning, implementing and evaluating educational activities for patient and family education. In each role, Susie has helped us fulfill our Promise to improve the health of every child in our region through the prevention and treatment of illness, disease and injury.

In Susie’s words:

When I first started working at Fort Worth Children’s Hospital, we had no in-house physicians. Then slowly, we started adding specialists to our staff. We began admitting more patients with chronic conditions. The very nature of their illnesses or injuries necessitated frequent hospitalizations, and the hospital, in a way, became their home. The staff got to know the kids and families, and they got to know us. We became a part of their family.

Almost invariably, there would come a point in their medical care where the treatment, procedure or surgery they needed wasn’t being offered at our facility ... just yet. So, we had to send our kids to other facilities, away from their homes. And this bothered us because these were our kids, our families. We knew them and didn’t want to see them go and the feeling was mutual.

And then I can remember, one day administration came around and told us about the plans for expansion. And they promised us – their first promise – that, at some point in time, we would no longer be sending our patients to other facilities for treatments or procedures. They made us that promise and we all took it to heart. We believed it and we stood behind it. Change is difficult, but we were all ready to roll up our sleeves and do what was best for our patients and their families. I believe that was administration’s first promise to us, to our families and to our community. I will never forget that.





Fiscal Year 2017

YOUR GENEROSITY IN ACTION

Cook Children's traces its earliest roots back to two philanthropic women, Ida Turner and Matilda Nail Cook. Today, 100 years later, new generations of caring hearts share their vision to provide for those in need in our community.

This report illustrates the depth and breadth of this community's commitment to Cook Children's and the patients we serve. The impact that each and every gift has on the lives of our patients is significant, whether supporting innovative treatments and new technologies, or providing therapeutic arts for patients or meal cards for patient families.

We would like to extend our sincerest gratitude to every person who has supported Cook Children's over the past century. As we continue to grow, one thing remains the same: the Promise we made long ago, and intend to keep for generations to come. Thank you for being a part of our Promise.

Charitable Contributions

Number of gifts by constituency

Individuals	45,711
Organizations	646
Children's Miracle Network Hospitals	3,227
Foundations	116
Estates/Trusts	54
TOTAL	49,754

Amount of gifts by constituency

Individuals	\$ 7,180,128
Organizations	\$ 4,613,546
Children's Miracle Network Hospitals	\$ 2,023,957
Foundations	\$ 2,355,471
Estates/Trusts	\$ 3,026,460
TOTAL	\$ 19,199,562

* Oct 1, 2016-Sept 30, 2017

Restricted Gifts

Individuals, foundations and organizations often restrict their gifts to specific funding areas that benefit our patients and the community.

\$13,558,724 in restricted gifts

Birthday Clubs

Birthday Club members ask their party guests to bring monetary gifts for Cook Children's instead of presents.

106 Birthday Club members

\$22,355 raised by Cook Children's Birthday Clubs

Children's Miracle Network Hospitals

Children's Miracle Network Hospitals raises funds and awareness for member hospitals, including Cook Children's.

33 National Partners

5 National Programs at Cook Children's

Community Partner Events

Cook Children's is the beneficiary of a variety of events held throughout the year by individuals, community groups and businesses.

Over \$730,000 raised by more than
75 community partner events

Cook Children's Doctors Society

The Cook Children's Health Foundation established the Doctors Society as a way to honor and recognize physicians and dentists who generously support our system and our Promise.

126 members

Employees Care

Cook Children's employee giving program

3,164 employee donors

Raised \$770,479 through the
Employees Care Campaign

Legacy Society

The Cook Children's Legacy Society honors those who have included Cook Children's in their estate plans.

55 members

Seventh Avenue

Seventh Avenue is a dynamic group of individuals, couples and families who support the efforts of Cook Children's. They give back to our patient families through their membership dues, service projects and advocacy.

233 members

\$62,001 allocated to patient programs

4 service projects

Volunteers

96,870 hours given by **1,058**
Cook Children's volunteers, equaling a
donation of **\$2,263,437**

All numbers based on Oct. 1, 2016-Sept. 30, 2017

Then and now

“Good vision for children is no luxury.” – Catherine Alexander

Catherine and Robert D. “Bob” Alexander’s LIVES WERE DEVOTED TO SOMETHING SEEMINGLY VERY SIMPLE ... HELPING CHILDREN AND ADULTS SEE. BOB WAS A CO-FOUNDER OF ALCON LABORATORIES AND CATHERINE DEVOTED HER LIFE TO HELPING CHILDREN WITH VISION PROBLEMS GET THE RESOURCES THEY NEEDED. IT WAS CATHERINE’S PASSION THAT ULTIMATELY LED TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ALEXANDER VISION CENTER AT COOK CHILDREN’S, WHICH PROVIDES FREE EYE CARE TO UNDERSERVED CHILDREN IN OUR COMMUNITY.

HERE’S A LOOK BACK AT HOW THE ALEXANDER VISION CENTER CAME TO BE...

1965

Catherine re-activated the Delta Gamma Alumnae preschool vision screening program; a program created to detect vision problems in children, prior to school enrollment.



THE UNIT, WHICH WAS BRONZE AND PINK WITH BLUE FRINGE ON THE INTERIOR CURTAINS, ALLOWED THE VOLUNTEERS TO SCREEN MORE CHILDREN THAN EVER BEFORE.



CATHERINE ADMINISTERS AN EYE EXAM TO HER GRANDSON

1973

Catherine and Bob donated a motor home to the program, the Delta G Mobile Unit, which allowed the program to serve more children in the community.

1978

Cook Children’s Eye Clinic officially opened to serve the needs of underprivileged patients. The Alexanders brought the clinic to life by donating much of the equipment needed to get started.

1990

After the merger of Fort Worth Children’s Hospital and Cook Children’s Hospital, the newly renamed Alexander Vision Center was recognized as an official department within Cook Children’s.

1990

The Catherine Alexander Resource Center for Visually Impaired Children opened as a component of the Alexander Vision Center, providing visually impaired children, their parents, teachers and others with resources and supportive services.

2003

Catherine passed away, but her legacy continues to live on through the generosity of The Robert D. & Catherine R. Alexander Foundation.

2008

As a part of Cook Children’s Homeless Initiative, staff from the Alexander Vision Center began screening homeless children at the Presbyterian Night Shelter.

Today

The Alexander Vision Center continues to bring its screening services inside local elementary schools. This school year, more than 5,000 students will be screened in Fort Worth Independent School District. Thanks to community support, Cook Children’s continues a mission started decades ago by a visionary woman, Catherine Alexander.



CATHERINE ALEXANDER



Growing for the children of our community

While 1985 marked the official merger of Cook Children's Hospital and Fort Worth Children's Hospital, the growth for "Cook-Fort Worth Children's Medical Center" or what would become Cook Children's was far from over.

After the first official Cook Children's building, Cook Children's Medical Center, was erected on the main campus in 1989, needs continued to be identified for additional growth.

As the surrounding community grew and Cook Children's invested in more innovative specialties that drew patients from around the country, the need for additional physical expansion was evident.

The first expansion project on the Cook Children's Medical Center main campus was the Patient Pavilion, completed in 2003. The pavilion, totaling 170,000 square feet, included 81 patient rooms, an expanded registration area and information desk, a new playroom and a family lounge.

And as additional needs were identified, the expansion projects kept coming.

In 2011, Cook Children's committed to its largest construction project to date, the building of the North Tower and Dodson Specialty Clinics, an area totaling 533,000 square feet.

This particular expansion project demonstrated a change in Cook Children's approach to medical care. It wasn't just about the medical treatment children were receiving; it was about the entire patient and family experience. With the creation of the North Tower, visiting the medical center, a place that can be unfamiliar and frightening through the eyes of child, became a much happier experience.

The first floor of the North Tower provides amenities for patient families that now include Camelot Court, a fun, colorful dining area, Cook Children's Build-A-Bear Workshop®, Zooty Fruity Yogurt Shop, Mirror Mirror Hair and Nail Salon and Starbucks.

Although these may seem like small additions to some, Cook Children's understood that a cup of coffee in a dimly lit Starbucks could be a comforting refuge for parents who have recently learned of an unexpected diagnosis. Or that a trip for candy-topped frozen yogurt may be the only outing that a patient can make for the day.

The remaining four floors of the North Tower include 106 all-single rooms for the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, 26 rooms for children with neurological disorders and 28 rooms for children battling cancer and blood disorders.

The following year, Dodson Specialty Clinics opened as

the perfect counterpart to the North Tower. The Dodson Specialty Clinics building houses a wide array of specialty outpatient services. Through a sky link over 7th Avenue, all of Cook Children's specialties are under one roof on the medical center campus, syncing inpatient and outpatient services like never before.

Five years later, in response to the community's emerging needs, the South Tower added 314,000 square feet of added space for patient care. This includes an expanded Emergency Department, built to increase efficiency, an innovative Heart Center that includes two dedicated operating rooms and 14 cardiac intensive care beds and the Rees-Jones Behavioral Health Center, which is home to the only not-for-profit

inpatient psychiatry program in North Texas, exclusively for children ages 2 through 12.

During our centennial year, we are taking time to reflect upon the two children's hospitals that recognized the strength in uniting to better serve the children of our community and beyond. We also are pausing to recognize the generosity that is woven throughout Cook Children's.

The expansion we've seen over the years would not be possible without the support of our community. As we reflect on how far we've come, we also know that we still have much to accomplish. Additional needs will be identified. Needs that we know we will meet with support from you – our family.

To learn more about supporting the community's needs, please call 682-885-4105.



"Cook Children's Hospital and Fort Worth Children's Hospital will be the physical finale in an effort to put together one of the best children's medical centers in the country."

– Carolyn Poirot,
Fort Worth Star-Telegram writer

Program spotlight:

Cook Children's Health Care System

IS A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION



Philanthropy permeates the history of Cook Children's, beginning with Ida Turner and Matilda Cook. In fact, it was Matilda's visionary gift that established the W. I. Cook Foundation, known today as Cook Children's Health Foundation. What many people may not know is that Cook Children's Health Foundation is the governing body of our entire not-for-profit health care system.

What does it mean to be a not-for-profit health care system?

It means we exist for charitable reasons, and that shareholders or trustees do not benefit financially. Income generated beyond our expenses is redistributed into efforts to improve the health of children in our community. It's these funds that allow Cook Children's to implement community outreach programs to help children who are at the highest risk for injury and illness.

In today's uncertain environment of health care reform and shrinking insurance reimbursements, the reality is that only a fraction of each dollar earned for medical services remains after expenses. However, 100 percent of a contributed dollar can impact our health care delivery, making philanthropy increasingly vital to our ability to provide high-quality care to children and families.

Thanks to you, our patients and families experience the generous spirit of our community each and every day. It may be a diagnosis made possible only by cutting-edge technology, providing a meal or clothing to a family in our

Emergency Department, or it could be as simple as a child playing a ukulele with one of our music therapists or being able to hug a therapy dog. For 100 years, generosity has helped Cook Children's provide exceptional, loving care to millions of families, one child at a time.

Charitable contributions made to Cook Children's Health Foundation have the power to:

- Maintain Cook Children's stature as a leading pediatric health care system through the purchase of specialized equipment, recruitment and retention of top physicians and staff, and access to clinical research trials and innovative new treatments.
- Serve the needs of families in crisis by providing services such as art and music therapy, family support groups and emergency meal and transportation assistance, for which no family ever receives a bill.
- Make our region the healthiest and safest place to raise a child through community-wide programs that provide education and awareness to prevent child abuse, reduce obesity, mitigate childhood asthma and prevent drowning.

For more information on Cook Children's Health Foundation, visit cookchildrenspromise.org.



Building a better community

ONE THING IS CERTAIN ABOUT THE **Jabo's Ace Hardware stores**: THEIR FOCUS ON COMMUNITY SHINES IN EVERYTHING THEY DO. WHILE THERE ARE MANY ACE HARDWARE LOCATIONS THAT PARTICIPATE IN CHILDREN'S MIRACLE NETWORK (CMN) HOSPITALS FUNDRAISING EFFORTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, JABO'S ACE HARDWARE IS ONE OF THE MOST INVOLVED FRANCHISES WITHIN THE DALLAS-FORT WORTH AREA AND WE'RE GRATEFUL FOR THEIR SUPPORT OF COOK CHILDREN'S.

Since becoming a CMN Hospitals partner in 1991, Ace Hardware has locally raised more than \$641,000 for Cook Children's. This success stems from the creative fundraising efforts of the Ace Hardware Foundation and the generous contributions of Ace customers and Ace team members.

Bill and Renae Jablonowski bought their first Ace location in Coppell in 2005. Inspired by their family name, Jabo's Ace Hardware continues to thrive today with additional locations in Keller and Fort Worth.

Besides being the "helpful hardware place," Jabo's Ace Hardware locations take customer service to the next level by also helping to raise money for their local community. Throughout the year, these locations host fundraising events in support of a great cause.

Each year, all three Jabo's locations host a Girls' Night Out event, which gives women and their friends the opportunity to enjoy giveaways, demonstrations, discounts and more. For the grill masters, Ace hosts Grill Your Ace Off! ~ a fun, grilling competition that showcases participants' skills with the help of Big Green Egg® products. Proceeds from both events are donated to CMN Hospitals.

Zach Jablonowski, son of Bill and Renae and head of Jabo's Ace Hardware Marketing and Operations, wishes more people realized that 100 percent of what customers donate to CMN Hospitals stays local.

"When a customer makes a donation at any of the local Ace Hardware stores, their funds stay within their county or nearest Children's Miracle Network Hospital," Zach explained. "Nothing is sent out of state and all that money helps local kids in our community. It really makes our partnership with CMN Hospitals pretty unique and special."

On a national level, a fundraising campaign called Ace Bucket Days is held every year. For a few days in August, customers can visit any Ace location, purchase a bucket for \$5 and receive 20 percent off any items they can fit in the bucket, with all local proceeds being donated to Cook Children's.

This year, in honor of Cook Children's centennial, select Ace Hardware stores helped celebrate our monumental birthday. During the month of March, Ace provided free blue light bulbs for people in the community so they could celebrate Cook Children's birthday from their own homes.

While Zach and his team enjoy all of the community outreach they are able to provide, none of their success would be possible without their customers.



"It's amazing to see how pennies can really make a difference," said Zach. "As our community grows, funds and awareness are huge factors to ensure Cook Children's can help the greatest number of children today and in the future."



*Look for the **miracle balloon** in your neighborhood and know all of the funds raised help children in our community.*

UPCOMING MIRACLE BALLOON CAMPAIGNS AND EVENTS:

PUBLIX	MAY 31-JUNE 16
DAIRY QUEEN	JUNE 1-AUG. 2
MARRIOTT	JUNE 1-AUG. 31
TOPS	JUNE 24-JULY 7
GIANT	JUNE 25-JULY 8
VALLARTA	JULY 1-JULY 31
MAACO COLLISION REPAIR AND AUTO PAINTING	JULY 7-AUG. 20
MEINEKE	JULY 7-AUG. 20
SPEEDWAY	JULY 27-29
CEFCO CONVENIENCE STORES	AUG. 1-28
ACE HARDWARE MIRACLE BUCKET DAYS	AUG. 3-5

To learn how you can support CMN Hospitals, visit cookchildrenspromise.org.



The crown jewel of the Fort Worth community

IN 1953, **Bille Bransford Clark**, PRESIDENT OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF FORT WORTH CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, RECOGNIZED THE GROWING NEED FOR MEDICAL CARE FOR CHILDREN WHOSE FAMILIES COULDN'T AFFORD TO PAY. AFTER CONSIDERING HOW TO BEST SUPPORT THE NOT-FOR-PROFIT HOSPITAL, BILLE KNEW SHE NEEDED TO SEEK GUIDANCE FROM SOMEONE PROMINENT IN THE COMMUNITY AND WHO BELIEVED IN THE HOSPITAL'S MISSION TO CARE FOR SICK CHILDREN. OVER A CUP OF COFFEE, SHE SOUGHT THE ADVICE OF MS. NENETTA BURTON CARTER, AND THE DECISION TO CO-FOUND JEWEL CHARITY WAS MADE.

With a common goal and passion to help others, Bille Bransford Clark and Nenetta Burton Carter came together in 1953 to co-found Jewel Charity. These passionate women brought together other passionate individuals in the community and they have been raising money for Cook Children's for the past 65 years.

The first official Jewel Charity meeting was held October 9, 1953, with a committee of 15 women. At this meeting, Nenetta suggested that they host an event, or Ball, similar to the International Debutante Ball in New York, where debutantes are presented and proceeds go to charity. The others agreed and the first Ball was held in January 1954.

The first Ball took place in the Crystal Ballroom of the Texas Hotel and debutantes modeled jewels from Harry

Winston Inc. There were no lavish decorations or dinner – only popcorn. Today, the Jewel Charity Ball is hosted at Fort Worth Convention Center and is one of the most highly anticipated events of the entire year in the community. Every year, the Ball has a theme with beautiful décor and dazzling jewels on display, while guests enjoy dinner and dancing.

Kay Reeves, Jewel Charity project manager, explained that the organization is so successful because of the very specific vision that was established from the beginning.

"It's a very connected social organization that has always remained true to its roots," Kay said. "From the beginning, Jewel Charity only raised money for Fort Worth Children's Hospital, and that same tradition continues today with Cook Children's."



Over the last 64 years, Jewel Charity has raised more than \$71 million for Cook Children's and currently has 368 members. Their donations have supported many areas, including charity care, Cook Children's Creative Artist in Residence Programme (CARPE), Hematology and Oncology Center, Child Life and more.

The members of Jewel Charity work tirelessly throughout the year to ensure the continued success of their efforts. There are multiple Jewel Charity committees, made up of volunteers who dedicate their time to ensuring the success of the Ball and the Jewel Charity organization as a whole.

This group showcases an exuberant amount of support for the Fort Worth community. Their philanthropic heritage stems from their founders, Nenetta and Bille, who came together for a common goal. We know they would be proud to see all Jewel Charity has accomplished.

"I have repeatedly urged all of my friends to support and help those of us who wish to build the finest medical facility for children here in Fort Worth. This hospital is soundly planned and can be expanded to serve this community for generations to come. Let us join together now, and establish it firmly."

– Nenetta Burton Carter

To learn more about Jewel Charity or to join us in our commitment to the children of Fort Worth and North Texas, visit jewelcharity.org.

A generation of tiny miracles

Diann Dunn NEVER IMAGINED HER DAUGHTER WOULD SPEND TIME IN COOK CHILDREN'S NEONATAL INTENSIVE CARE UNIT (NICU), LET ALONE HER GRANDDAUGHTER, AS WELL. BUT, THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT HAPPENED. FROM HER DAUGHTER'S STAY IN 1984 TO HER GRANDDAUGHTER'S IN 2018, OUR NICU HAS CHANGED SIGNIFICANTLY, YET OUR COMPASSION AND DEDICATION TO PROVIDING THE BEST CARE FOR OUR PATIENT FAMILIES STILL REMAINS.

Diann and husband, Jeffrey, moved to Fort Worth in 1980 with no real plans of making it their home. Jeffrey was pursuing his master's degree and interning at night with Bass Security in downtown Fort Worth. But, Fort Worth's charm worked its magic on the Dunns and it's been their home now for almost 40 years.

Diann had already given birth to two girls with no complications or issues and her third pregnancy seemed to be heading in the same direction. However, around 33 weeks, she started to feel like something wasn't right.

Diann went into early labor and at that time, there wasn't medication or technology to stop or slow down birth, like we have now. Erin Dunn was born seven weeks early on May 21, 1984, weighing 4 lbs., 3 oz., at Harris Methodist in downtown Fort Worth. She was quickly transported to Cook Children's NICU to ensure she would receive specialized care.

In 1984, there were no single rooms where families could stay with their baby 24/7. The NICU was one large open bay with little space and privacy. If something serious was happening with one of the babies in the unit, all the families would be asked to leave. Diann would stay by Erin's side during the day, when she wasn't at home caring for her two older daughters, and Jeffrey would visit in the early morning after working his overnight shift downtown.

Luckily for the Dunns, Erin's NICU stay was short lived. Her lungs just needed a little time to grow and develop. After two weeks, she was able to come home dressed in Cabbage Patch Kid® clothes because regular newborn baby clothes didn't fit just yet.

Fast forward 34 years and Diann found herself in the Cook Children's NICU once again. This time, she was there to support her daughter, Erin, the former NICU baby who was now a mother herself.

Like Diann, Erin's pregnancy had been fairly typical until around 31 weeks. She hadn't felt her baby move in a

day or so and became concerned. Erin's doctor performed a sonogram and discovered a large amount of fluid had developed around the baby's skull and chest. The doctors quickly diagnosed the baby with non-immune hydrops fetalis, a severe condition that causes a large accumulation of fluid in the chest.

Within 30 minutes of receiving the life-threatening diagnosis, Erin was being wheeled back to the operating room for an emergency C-section. Erin and her husband, Logan, were told the survival rate for their child was only around 25 percent.

On December 23, 2017, Olivia Tyler Herren was born nine weeks early, weighing what seemed like a healthy 6 pounds. However, after all of the fluid had been drained from her chest, Olivia weighed just 1 lb., 8 oz.

The new parents were devastated and scared.

"Olivia is our first child," Erin explained. "This is definitely not how we expected to become parents. Those



first few days we were living in constant fear of what the future would hold for Olivia."

Olivia was transported to Cook Children's NICU due to the seriousness of her diagnosis at 4 a.m., on Christmas.

For Erin, it would be over a day until she was healthy enough to see Olivia. In the meantime, Logan didn't leave Olivia's side.

"I'll never forget the moment I first saw Olivia," said Erin. "It was equal parts grief and elation and joy. I immediately felt the instantaneous love for her that I'd always heard other parents talk about."

The first few weeks of Olivia's stay in the NICU were tough. Since birth, chest tubes had been placed on the left and right side of Olivia, in order for the fluid on her chest to drain.

"I just remember hearing the doctors talk about how sick Olivia was," Erin recalled. "But, then, she started to surprise us. Once we arrived at Cook Children's and the chest tubes were reinserted, they were draining so well that we were told her survival rate had doubled to 50 percent."

Things began to look up from there. Her X-rays improved, showing little to no fluid in her chest.

"I remember the day I heard one of Olivia's nurses say Olivia 'had' non-immune hydrops," said Erin. "I jumped in to quickly clarify, 'She had' non-immune hydrops? As in doesn't have it anymore?"

The nurse confirmed and tears streamed down Erin's face.

No parent ever wants to have a child in the NICU, but families are able to find comfort once they are there.

"It's like this club that no one wants to join," said Erin. "But now that I'm in, I'm so glad that we are at Cook Children's, where we can be with Olivia all the time and have the privacy we need to be together as a family."

Over the last 100 years, we've grown from a one-room hospital for babies to one of the largest pediatric health care systems in the nation. This is evident in our NICU's drastic improvements from just one generation to the next. Erin and Olivia stayed within the same exact walls of Cook Children's NICU, but what's inside is completely different.

We are proud to offer all-single rooms to families going through these difficult times. It allows the families the time they so crucially need with their newborn babies. Our Level IV NICU would not be possible without your generous gifts of time, money and energy. We are able to treat the tiniest, most fragile babies, such as Erin and Olivia, and it's all thanks to you.

For more inspirational stories like this, visit cook100years.org.

A medical Wonderland

Partners in our PROMISE

WHEN PATIENTS VISIT COOK CHILDREN'S MEDICAL CENTER, THEY OFTEN COMMENT ON ITS MAGICAL CASTLE-LIKE APPEARANCE, WITH ITS BLUE PEAKS BECKONING TO OUR FAMILIES SEEKING CARE. SINCE 1989, THE ARCHITECTURE OF COOK CHILDREN'S MEDICAL CENTER HAS MADE A UNIQUE IMPRINT ON THE FORT WORTH SKYLINE AND ON THE HEARTS OF THOSE CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN TREATED HERE, THANKS TO **Linbeck Group LLC and David M. Schwarz Architects.**

In 1985, Fort Worth Children's Hospital and Cook Children's Hospital officially merged to become Cook Children's Medical Center, but there was no official building yet. Before the physical entity of Cook Children's Medical Center could come to fruition, the Cook Children's Board of Trustees was tasked with finding the right group of people to build the new campus. Through the leadership of the newly formed board, Linbeck Group LLC, and the team under David M. Schwarz Architects Inc., were chosen for the job.

David M. Schwarz, founder and chairman of David M. Schwarz Architects Inc., said his team had no health care experience prior to building Cook Children's Medical Center, but they always had the outlook that 'they could design anything.'

And 33 years later, that vision has proven to be true. Today, as you travel through the medical center, you may not even realize you've traveled across multiple "wings" because every detail flows so effortlessly.

"One of the most unusual things about the design of the medical center is that it was organized to grow and also to be easy for patient families to navigate," said David. "We wanted it to make visual sense. We wanted to make the hospital legible and understandable. I've been around since the first line was drawn. From our perspective, coherent flexibility has been the watchword for everything we try to do."

Mark Linenberger, Linbeck senior vice president and general manager in Fort Worth, agreed with this approach because he knew that Cook Children's was and is always adapting to new technology and medical advances. This means the older areas can be updated, or new buildings can be built to meet new needs.

As proof that they were definitely the right people for the job, Linbeck construction workers and designers at David M. Schwarz Architects never forgot why their jobs are so

important. Both entities and their employees knew then and know now, as they continue to work with us on expansion projects, that they are improving the space for Cook Children's patients and their families. When David's firm was tasked to design a campus that would stand the test of time, he and his team were very thorough.

"The whole process was a combination of looking forward and backward," David explained. "What is this hospital going to become? Also, how do you create a facility that is child-friendly without being childish? People often suggest putting cartoon characters everywhere as a way to be child-friendly, but I felt like that was too childish. As a firm, we love designing for children. It's a challenge, but you can't forget that you're also designing for the entire family."

As Cook Children's celebrates our centennial year, both Linbeck and David M. Schwarz are already thinking about a plan for the next 100 years, knowing that Cook Children's will continue to grow along with the needs of our community.

"Cook Children's is one of the best master plan campuses I've ever seen," said Mark. "Our team is thankful that we feel like we have a very clear vision of where Cook Children's is going."

On many projects, it is common that by the time the team has just finished a building, there is already another update to the plan. Some parts have changed while others have stayed the same and is a very fluid document overall.

Ultimately, no matter what updates are made at the medical center, David and Mark both agree that the most important part of the plan is to keep the focus on Cook Children's patients and their families.

"Our job is to take care of the kids without disturbing the families in the most efficient way," David said. "The impact on family has always, and will always, be a part of the vision."



Spotlight:

Beta Theta Pi

When you meet Tyler Hartman and Thomas Magevney, you immediately realize that they don't fit the often times unflattering stereotype for college fraternity brothers. Both hold leadership positions in the Beta Theta Pi chapter at Texas Christian University and worked with their fraternity brothers to create a local event to raise funds for Cook Children's Creative Arts and Residence Programme (CARPE).

The inspiration for the event happened after their chapter took a tour of the medical center in 2014. Upon learning of all the miraculous things that take place underneath the blue peaks, they were immediately interested in CARPE.

Cook Children's CARPE connects arts with the art of healing. It offers patients and their families opportunities for expression and control through a variety of artistic media, such as painting, music, writing, dance, theater and other creative explorations.

CARPE helps to provide a variety of outlets to encourage increased communication and expression of feelings. By dabbling in the arts, patients often feel a stronger sense of connection, support and even stress relief. This program is completely donor-funded and no family receives a bill for participating.

"I think it's really beneficial," said Tyler. "At first, you think it's just arts and crafts. But, there's actually science behind it and it's more than just drawing. Also, meeting the kids that benefit from the program proves how special CARPE is."

In order to support CARPE, Beta Theta Pi created a local event that would not only highlight CARPE, but focused on the patient artists in the program. That is when their annual event, Giving heART, came to be.



Every year around TCU's family weekend, the Beta Theta Pi fraternity hosts a silent auction of paintings created by the patients of CARPE. All proceeds go directly to CARPE.

Beta Theta Pi makes sure to give the patients an extravagant night to remember. Patients who have their artwork on display take a limo ride from Cook Children's to the event space, and get to walk down a red carpet.

"I think the best part is when the kids arrive. They get to see their artwork on display and have people bid on their pieces, which is such a big moment for them," Tyler said. "It's also cool to see them interact with the attendees. The kids light up when they get to tell the story behind their art."

This past year, Beta Theta Pi was able to raise more than \$23,000 for CARPE through Giving heART. Tyler and Thomas are excited their efforts are gaining traction and making a difference.

To learn more about CARPE, please visit cookchildrenspromise.org.



"The thing I appreciate about Beta Theta Pi is that they treat our patients so well. They have been so kind to them. They give them the attention and respect that any artist would get, no matter their age."

– Carri Ann Wantuchowicz
Creative Artist in Residence
Programme Coordinator



COOK CHILDREN'S IS BLESSED WITH MANY ACTIVE **community groups** WHO GENEROUSLY SUPPORT US BY HOSTING A VARIETY OF FUNDRAISING EVENTS. WE APPRECIATE ALL OF THESE **enthusiastic donors** AND THEIR **volunteers** WHO COORDINATE AND **staff** THESE EVENTS.



WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE AND THANK THE FOLLOWING COMMUNITY PARTNERS FOR THEIR RECENT GIFTS:

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Who Needs Sleep: 36 Hours to Fight Cancer



THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING *The Blast*!

Because of you, we are able to make a difference in the lives of Cook Children's patients and families fighting neuroblastoma, a rare and aggressive form of cancer.

Thanks to the generosity of our community,

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To learn more, visit nbwalk.org

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Generosity heals

NOT MUCH CAN COMPARE TO THE EXCITEMENT OF EXPECTING YOUR FIRST BABY. THAT IS, UNLESS YOU HEAR NOT ONE, BUT TWO FLUTTERING HEARTBEATS DURING THE FIRST SONOGRAM. IN 2015, **John and Shelby Snelson** LEARNED THAT THEY WOULD BE FIRST-TIME PARENTS TO IDENTICAL TWIN GIRLS. IT WAS A DREAM COME TRUE.

However, on Labor Day, the Snelsons experienced heartbreak like never before. At 26 weeks, Shelby went into unexpected labor and the girls were born three and a half months early. Tragically, one of the girls did not survive birth and the other, Isla Jane, began the fight of her life.

Isla Jane spent 134 days in Cook Children's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). Then, the staff told the Snelsons that Isla Jane was strong enough to finally go home and begin living life outside of the NICU walls.

This was the day the Snelsons had waited for, but even with this very exciting news, they were gripped with fear. In the NICU, they had been surrounded by families in similar situations that offered emotional support and caretakers who specialized in monitoring fragile preemies. Now they would be on their own.

But, thanks to Cook Children's NEST Developmental Follow-up Center, the Snelsons were not completely alone.

High-risk newborns and premature babies, like Isla Jane, can face unique medical, developmental and behavioral

challenges that may not appear right away. The NEST Center is a comprehensive program designed to support the progress of high-risk infants and their families by evaluating and monitoring the growth and development of NICU graduates until they reach school age.

The NEST Center reaches beyond just assessing medical and developmental needs, which include things like standardized neurological, neurodevelopmental, neuropsychological, audiological and feeding evaluations. They also care for the needs that are often overlooked, like maternal mental health screenings for post-partum depression, peer-parent support, community resource referrals and parenting education. The NEST team also specializes in occupational, physical and speech therapy consultations that identify possible developmental delays.

When describing how the NEST Center has benefited their family, Shelby said the most impactful change has been the ability to transform difficult memories of an early struggle into celebrations of milestones.



To learn how you can support the NEST Center, visit cookchildrenspromise.org.

Young philanthropists

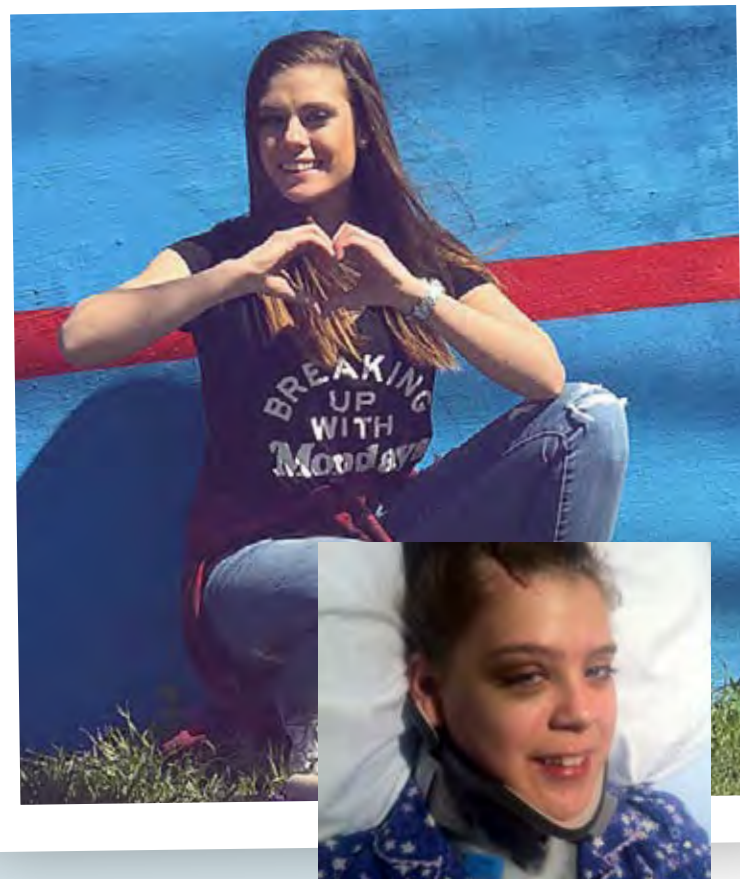
Two girls. Two life-changing holidays. TWO DIFFERENT DIAGNOSES. ONE SIMILARITY ... COOK CHILDREN'S YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL-PATIENTS ADVISING FOR CHANGE (YAC-PAC) IS HELPING THEM COPE WITH THEIR DIAGNOSES, ADVOCATE FOR THEMSELVES AND SUPPORT OTHER PATIENTS GOING THROUGH SIMILAR EXPERIENCES.

Cook Children's relies on the medical expertise of many specialists when treating children and helping them feel better. But, Cook Children's realizes that the kids themselves have a lot to offer and that's why the YAC-PAC was founded.

The YAC-PAC is a group of current and former patients, ages 12-18, with a range of diagnoses. They share their perspectives and suggestions with medical center staff members to ensure the hospital environment meets patients' needs, both physically and emotionally.

YAC-PAC members take on leadership roles where they can speak freely, share ideas and provide a voice for other young patients. Through this experience, YAC-PAC members learn how to advocate for themselves and others, while gaining confidence and leadership skills.

Each member of the YAC-PAC offers a different perspective on the patient experience, each shaped by their own time spent as patients at Cook Children's. And what they get in return is immeasurable.



MEET JACEY.

At 12 years old, Jacey would have described herself as a typical preteen girl. However, on Christmas Day 2011, her world was completely turned upside down. A day associated with joyful traditions became anything but routine when Jacey was involved in a violent car accident. The tragedy resulted in broken bones in her back, a brain bleed, a spinal cord injury and multiple facial fractures. Jacey's first two weeks at Cook Children's were spent in a state of paralysis. After extensive work with the physical therapists, Jacey regained strength and a month later she was able to return home. But, her journey was far from over. For the next five years, Jacey would return to Cook Children's for consultations with her neurosurgeon, Richard Roberts, M.D.

"One of my favorite things about being in the YAC-PAC was doing our activity nights. We set up little activities in the atrium and patients and their siblings could come down and play games and get their minds off whatever the reason they were there for and have some fun. I loved interacting with the kids and seeing them smile even though they must be going through a rough time. Being in YAC-PAC, I saw myself grow as a person, and during my journey through the five years I was in the group, I made my decision to become a teacher for young children."

– Jacey

MEET KAMRYN.

Kamryn was an athlete through and through. Her days were spent in the gym, tumbling and preparing for cheerleading competitions. However, one day she noticed that her energy was declining. With every flip, she began to ache more and more.

Unable to describe the pain in any other way, Kamryn told her mother "I feel like there is poison in my bones." The statement prompted an urgent doctor's visit and a multitude of tests. Once at Cook Children's Emergency Department, further testing revealed a diagnosis no one was expecting: acute lymphoblastic leukemia, a cancer of the bone and marrow. It was Thanksgiving Day 2015. Immediately, Kamryn began aggressive treatment to fight the disease. Three years later, she is in remission and returns to Cook Children's only for checkups every three months.

"Being a part of YAC-PAC has definitely helped me grow as a person and develop leadership skills. I'm now able to feel like there really is some good that has come out of such a terrible experience (leukemia)."

– Kamryn



Jacey and Kamryn are happy to dedicate their time and talents to YAC-PAC. As members, they believe it's important to give to the organization that helped them regain their lives.

To learn more about how you can give back to Cook Children's, visit cookchildrenspromise.org.



Be a part of *our Promise*

CARING FOR THE CHILDREN OF OUR COMMUNITY, REGARDLESS OF FAMILY RESOURCES OR A FAMILY'S ABILITY TO PAY, HAS BEEN THE FOUNDATION OF COOK CHILDREN'S EVER SINCE THE VERY FIRST BABY INSPIRED THE CREATION OF FORT WORTH FREE BABY HOSPITAL IN 1918. THAT SINGLE ACT OF KINDNESS DEFINED FORT WORTH FREE BABY HOSPITAL, W. I. COOK MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND NOW **Cook Children's Health Care System.**

The desire to do the right thing is what led to the eventual creation of Cook Children's Promise to improve the health of every child in our region through the prevention and treatment of illness, disease and injury. Due to the passion to fulfill this Promise, there is a dedicated area within Cook Children's Health Care System that is specifically focused on prevention efforts.

The Center for Children's Health, led by Cook Children's, works specifically to prevent our little ones from needing many of the services Cook Children's offers. This may seem counterintuitive, but it's one of the many things Cook Children's does to uphold that very important Promise that guides us each and every day.

The Center for Children's Health led by Cook Children's

Throughout Cook Children's six-county service area of Denton, Hood, Johnson, Parker, Tarrant and Wise counties, coalitions and programs are focusing on the health issues that are of most concern to the parents and caregivers in these areas. These include access to care, asthma, child abuse, childhood obesity, dental health, mental health and overall safety concerns.

From volunteers to financial support, these programs would not be possible without the generous support from our community. Examples of this are woven throughout Cook Children's history.

For instance, in the 1950s, accidental poisonings were all too common among children. One of the biggest

problems was not knowing how to combat the issue and get physicians and parents the information they needed quickly. W. I. Cook Memorial Children's Hospital was among the first in Texas to set up a poison control center, offering quick access to lifesaving information for both physicians and parents.

As issues like this were identified by the community, Cook Children's has always been quick to jump in and help.

In 1991, the Immunization Collaboration of Tarrant County was founded by Cook Children's, the Junior Leagues of Fort Worth and Arlington and the Fort Worth and Tarrant County Health Departments so that more children would have access to lifesaving immunizations. The collaboration sponsors low-cost immunization drives in Tarrant County and focuses on raising the immunization rate for children ages 0-2 years.

Safety issues like incorrect car seat installations, continuous accidental poisonings and childhood drownings led to the development of Safe Kids Tarrant County, led by Cook Children's, in 1992. Through Safe Kids Tarrant County, free car seat checks, distribution of medication lock boxes and parent education on drowning prevention are just a few of the coalition's offerings.

Around the same time, lack of understanding regarding dental care's importance for children led to the formation of two groups at Cook Children's, Save a Smile and the Children's Oral Health Coalition.

Fast forward a few years and homelessness in Tarrant County was identified as a major problem. These homeless children were not able to visit a doctor regularly because of their unstable surroundings. Cook Children's began working with local homeless shelters to send these children to one of the Cook Children's Neighborhood Clinics so they could get primary and preventive care.

Examples of this continue to shape the culture of Cook Children's. In the last 10 years, programming and educational efforts around child abuse, childhood obesity prevention and mental health issues in children have also been added.

These are not programs that make money. In fact, many of them would not be possible without the support of long-time supporters, like the Woman's Board, Jewel Charity Ball, support from the Cook Children's Health Care System Board and numerous other community and corporate partners.

For more information about Cook Children's community programs, visit centerforchildrenshealth.org.



Noteworthy

**A BIG
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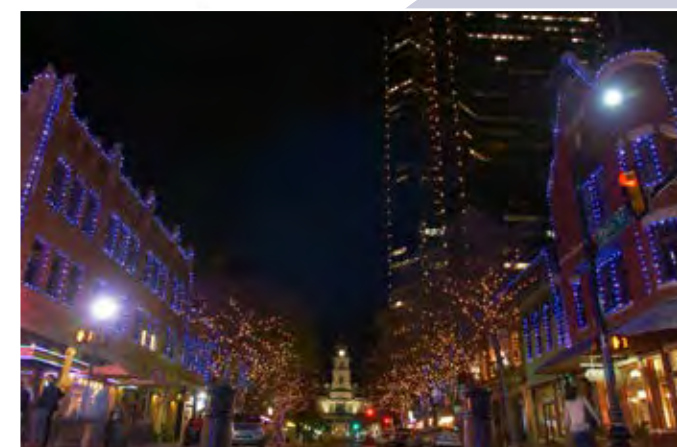
to everyone who helped us celebrate our 100th birthday on March 21!

If you missed it, don't worry, our birthday celebration is continuing all year round.



Here's how you can help us keep the party going!

We have multiple selfie birthday sculptures located throughout Fort Worth, like Waterside, West Bend, Magnolia and within Cook Children's Medical Center.



Celebrate with us by taking pictures of you making a wish and blowing out the candles in the sculpture. Post your photo to social media using the hashtag [#cook100years](#). And for those who are celebrating away from the medical center, you can still party with us by taking a photo with the cardboard cutouts coming soon to our urgent care centers and pediatric offices.

What's new at Cook Children's?

THE LATEST NEWS AND UPDATES FROM AROUND COOK CHILDREN'S HEALTH CARE SYSTEM.

Growing to care for more broken hearts

THE CARDIOLOGY PROGRAM AT COOK CHILDREN'S IS PLEASED TO WELCOME PHILLIP BURCH, M.D., ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR, CARDIOTHORACIC SURGERY. DR. BURCH COMPLETED HIS GENERAL SURGERY TRAINING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE AND ADULT CARDIAC TRAINING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA. HE RECEIVED HIS TRAINING IN CONGENITAL HEART SURGERY UNDER THE DIRECTION OF JOHN HAWKINS, M.D., AT THE UNIVERSITY OF UTAH. AFTER COMPLETING HIS TRAINING, HE REMAINED ON STAFF AT THE UNIVERSITY OF UTAH FOR CLOSE TO A DECADE BEFORE JOINING THE STAFF AT COOK CHILDREN'S. DR. BURCH PERFORMS SURGERY FOR THE ENTIRE SPECTRUM OF CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE AND HAS A PARTICULAR INTEREST IN METHODS TO ACCELERATE POSTOPERATIVE RECOVERY FOLLOWING COMPLEX NEONATAL SURGERIES. WITH THE ADDITION OF DR. BURCH, COOK CHILDREN'S CARDIOTHORACIC SURGICAL DEPARTMENT NOW HAS FOUR DEDICATED SURGEONS ON STAFF.



Cook Children's is educating families on gun safety



IT'S NO SECRET THAT GUNS SERVE AS A DANGER FOR CHILDREN. IN 2017, THERE WERE AT LEAST 14 CHILDREN AGES 0-11 IN THE STATE OF TEXAS ALONE THAT WERE ACCIDENTALLY INJURED OR KILLED BECAUSE A GUN WAS NOT SAFELY LOCKED AWAY. ONE OUT OF EVERY THREE HOMES WITH CHILDREN IN THE U.S. HAS A GUN. IN TEXAS, 36 PERCENT OF ADULTS HAVE A HOUSEHOLD FIREARM, AND MORE THAN 199,000 CHILDREN CURRENTLY LIVE WITH UNLOCKED LOADED FIREARMS IN THEIR HOME. FUELED BY THESE STATISTICS AND BY THE ACTUAL VICTIMS HE TREATS IN COOK CHILDREN'S EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT, DAN GUZMAN, M.D., IS WORKING WITH THE CENTER FOR CHILDREN'S HEALTH, LED BY COOK CHILDREN'S TO LAUNCH A NEW AWARENESS PROGRAM, AIM FOR SAFETY. THIS GUN SAFETY AWARENESS PROGRAM WILL HELP EDUCATE PARENTS ON PROTECTING CHILDREN FROM BECOMING THE VICTIM OF AN ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING. THIS IS NOT ABOUT WHETHER GUNS ARE RIGHT OR WRONG. IT'S ABOUT PROTECTING OUR CHILDREN.

A new and improved patient experience



AFTER 18 MONTHS OF PREPARATION, COOK CHILDREN'S OFFICIALLY ROLLED OUT EPIC, A NEW ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD SYSTEM ON MARCH 1. THIS NEW SOFTWARE HAS TRANSFORMED THE WAY COOK CHILDREN'S DELIVERS CARE TO PATIENTS ACROSS ITS MORE THAN 60 LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE STATE, INCLUDING THE MEDICAL CENTER. FOR COOK CHILDREN'S STAFF, EPIC HAS CREATED A ONE-STOP SHOP FOR ELECTRONIC MEDICAL RECORDS, WHICH WERE PREVIOUSLY SPREAD ACROSS MANY DIFFERENT SYSTEMS. FOR PATIENT FAMILIES, A NEW AND IMPROVED PATIENT PORTAL, KNOWN AS MYCHART, ALLOWS FAMILIES TO RECEIVE SUMMARIES OF THEIR CHILD'S VISITS, TEST RESULTS, IMMUNIZATION RECORDS, AS WELL

AS COMMUNICATE DIRECTLY WITH THEIR CHILD'S CARE TEAM. REFERRING PHYSICIANS ARE NOW ABLE TO ACCESS AND SHARE PATIENT INFORMATION ON ONE SECURE, COLLABORATIVE PLATFORM, SIMPLIFYING THE ADMINISTRATION SIDE OF PATIENT CARE. EPIC IS THE FUTURE OF COOK CHILDREN'S AND OUR CENTENNIAL YEAR IS THE PERFECT TIME TO ROLL IT OUT.

Fostering health at Cook Children's

CHILDREN ENTERING THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM OR BEING REMOVED FROM THEIR HOME RARELY RECEIVE ROUTINE MEDICAL CARE. THROUGH COOK CHILDREN'S NEW FOSTERING HEALTH PROGRAM, IT'S OUR GOAL TO MAKE SURE THESE CHILDREN ARE NOT OVERLOOKED. A TEAM, WITH A SPECIALIZED CHILD ABUSE PEDIATRICIAN, NURSE PRACTITIONER AND CARE COORDINATOR, FOLLOWS UP WITH THESE FOSTER FAMILIES TO EVALUTE THE CHILD'S BEHAVIORAL, DEVELOPMENTAL AND CHRONIC HEALTH CARE NEEDS. THEY THEN HELP COORDINATE ANY SPECIALTY CARE AND CAN ACT AS A CONTINUED RESOURCE FOR THE FAMILY.



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KNOWING THAT EVERY CHILD’S LIFE IS SACRED, IT IS THE PROMISE OF
COOK CHILDREN’S TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH OF EVERY CHILD IN OUR REGION THROUGH
THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF ILLNESS, DISEASE AND INJURY.

Honor Roll OF GIVING

THE GENEROSITY AND COMPASSION OF THESE DONATIONS HAVE HELPED ENHANCE
THE LIVES OF CHILDREN WHO RELY UPON COOK CHILDREN'S FOR CARE.

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ARE GIFTS GIVEN TO EXPRESS JOY OR GRATITUDE.



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ARE GIFTS GIVEN IN LOVING MEMORY.



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THE PETER PAN AND FOREVER YOUNG BIRTHDAY CLUBS

ARE FOR KIDS AND TEENS WHO ASK PARTY GUESTS TO DONATE TO
COOK CHILDREN'S INSTEAD OF GIVING THEM BIRTHDAY PRESENTS.



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